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URGE HUNTERS TO PLANT WILD RICE  
IN SOUTH AS ATTRACTION FOR DUCKS

Sowing wild rice in marshy land to attract wild

ducks on their annual fall flights could be done on a large scale in the South, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture. For several years the department's specialists have grown this rice successfully in southern areas.

Indians in Minnesota and Canada collect wild-rice seed in the fall and sell it to dealers who supply hunters, game conservation groups, and similar organizations with seed for planting in marshy land, making an attraction for the game.

The northern variety of wild rice will not grow successfully in the South, the department says. However, wild rice that grows in marshes all along the Atlantic coast from New Jersey to southern Georgia, is suitable for growing inland in the South. Hunters in the South who wish to sow wild rice, should make arrangements this fall for gathering seed along the coast, the department says. The seed must be kept moist and in a cool place until spring, when it can be sown. Wild-rice seed may be harvested from early September in the latitude of Philadelphia to as late as October 20 in southern Georgia.

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